

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 054205

12

ORIGIN SSO-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 ( ISO ) R

DRAFTED BY S/S-O: MCELHANEY

APPROVED BY S/S-O: TANNER

DESIRED DISTRIBUTION

1 COPY FOR S/S-O

----- 014616

O 050950Z MAR 76

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO JCS IMMEDIATE

SECDEF IMMEDIATE

CIA IMMEDIATE

WHITE HOUSE IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 054205

LIMDIS-HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR SECDEF

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR

SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. ZAIRE SEEKS A LITTLE HELP FROM ITS FRIENDS

FOREIGN MINISTER NGUZA HAS GIVEN AMBASSADOR CUTLER A  
STRAIGHTFORWARD AND URGENT PITCH ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT  
MOBUTU:

--THE BRAZZAVILLE AGREEMENT WITH THE MPLA WAS A PRACTI-  
CAL ACCOMMODATION TO THE SHIFT IN CENTRAL AFRICAN POWER  
BALANCE.

--THE ACCOMMODATION HAS BOUGHT TIME IN WHICH TO MODERN-  
IZE ZAIRE'S ARMED FORCES TO COUNTER THE THREAT FROM  
ANGOLA.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 054205

--ZAIRE'S "OLD FRIENDS" SHOULD REACTIVATE THE CONSULTA-

TIVE GROUP AND MOVE QUICKLY TO SUPPORT ZAIRE'S AND ZAMBIA'S ECONOMIC STABILIZATION EFFORTS.

EMBASSY COMMENT: WE BELIEVE NGUZA IS MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION BY STRESSING THE NEED FOR A COORDINATED EFFORT, AND WE CAN ONLY ENCOURAGE THE DEPARTMENT TO REDOUBLE ITS

EFFORTS VIS-A-VIS OUR ALLIES TO ASSURE CLOSE COORDINATION. ON NAMIBIA AND RHODESIA, WE HAVE NO REASON TO DOUBT NGUZA'S BELIEF THAT LITTLE TIME REMAINS TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING OTHER THAN A VIOLENT RESULT. (CONFIDENTIAL) KINSHASA 1927, 3/4.)

## 2. FRANCO-PORTUGUESE RELATIONS ARE WARMING UP

A FRENCH MFA OFFICIAL BRIEFED EMBASSY PARIS ON FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES' VISIT TO LISBON, DURING WHICH HE:

--DELIVERED A LETTER FROM GISCARD AGREEING IN PRINCIPLE TO OFFER MODEST BILATERAL ECONOMIC AID; AND

--AGREED TO ANNUAL FRANCO-PORTUGUESE CONSULTATIONS AT THE MINISTERIAL AND POLITICAL DIRECTORS' LEVELS.

THE FRENCH RETURNED TO PARIS WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT A RIGHT-WING COUP IN LISBON SEEMS UNLIKELY FOR THE MOMENT, PARTICULARLY SINCE THE RIGHT IS LIKELY TO DO WELL IN THE APRIL ELECTIONS. HOWEVER, THE CHOICE OF THE NEXT PORTUGUESE PRESIDENT IS STILL UP IN THE AIR AND THE QUAI SEES NO FRONT RUNNERS. (CONFIDENTIAL) PARIS 6543, 3/4.)

## 3. LEBANON: JUMBLATT LEADS MASSES TOWARD DEMOCRACY

FOLLOWING A CONVERSATION WITH JUMBLATT MARCH 4, CHARGE LAMBRAKIS CHARACTERIZED THE LEFTIST LEADER AS NEGATIVE ON ALMOST EVERY ISSUE AND APT TO SIDESTEP AN ARGUMENT RATHER THAN FOLLOW THROUGH RATIONALLY. JUMBLATT STATED THAT:

--HIS CURRENT FRICTION WITH SYRIA WAS REFLECTED IN HIS VIEWS ON THE DANGERS TO DEMOCRACY, LEBANON'S MOST PRE-CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 054205

CIOUS ASSET.

--THE SECRETARY WAS NOT TO BE TRUSTED, AND US POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL, DEVOID OF THE IDEALISM OF THE EISENHOWER YEARS, WAS DEPLORABLE AND TOTALLY PRAGMATIC.

CHARGE'S COMMENT: WHILE SINCERE IN HIS BELIEF THAT HE HEADS A GENUINE MASS REVOLT WHICH IN TIME WILL RESULT IN

GREATER DEMOCRACY, JUMBLATT IS A DANGEROUS POLITICAL LEADER  
WHO IS NOT PREPARED TO MAKE CONCESSIONS FOR THE SAKE OF  
LEBANESE UNITY. (CONFIDENTIAL) DAMASCUS 2030 (LIMDIS),  
3/4.) KISSINGER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** LOBBYING, ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE, MORNING SUMMARY, FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION, MINISTERIAL VISITS, POLITICAL LEADERS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 05 MAR 1976  
**Decaption Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** BoyleJA  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1976STATE054205  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** O: MCELHANEY  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D760084-1002  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1976/newtext/t19760389/aaaadamj.tel  
**Line Count:** 119  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ORIGIN SSO  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** LIMDIS  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** LIMDIS  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** BoyleJA  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 05 APR 2004  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <05 APR 2004 by GarlanWA>; APPROVED <16 AUG 2004 by BoyleJA>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
04 MAY 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS  
**TAGS:** PFOR, OVIP, EAID, PINS, CG, US, FR, PO, LE, (SAUVAGNARGUES, JEAN), (JUMBLATT, KAMAL)  
**To:** JCS MULTIPLE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006